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Securities and Exchange Commission
Division of Corporation Finance
Office of International Corporate Finance
Judiciary Plaza
450 Fifth Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20549

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Re: The Sage Group plc Application for Exemption pursuant to
Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Regarding the above referenced application for exemption, which was submitted to your office on June 16, 2003 and updated on June 20, 2003 and August 1, 2003, enclosed please find a third update thereto as required by Rule 12g3-2(b)(1)(iii) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The update consists of (i) six 88(2) Companies House Filings, which fall under Annex B, Item 5 of the above referenced exemption application, and (ii) thirteen releases on the Regulatory News Service of the London Stock Exchange as required by the UK Listing Authority, which fall under Annex C of the above referenced exemption application.

Please do not hesitate to call me at (650) 470-4585 with any questions regarding this update to the exemption application.

Very truly yours,

Kambiz Izadi

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Enclosures

cc: Michael Robinson
Company Secretary and Group Legal Director
The Sage Group plc

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UPDATE TO ANNEX B, ITEM 5

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03 OCT 27 10:17:21

Return of Allotment of Shares

CHFPO83

Company Number

2231246

Company name in full

The Sage Group plc

Shares allotted (including bonus shares):

Date or period during which
shares were allotted
(If shares were allotted on one date
enter that date in the "from" box.)

From

To

Day	Month	Year
28	07	2003

Day	Month	Year

Class of shares
(ordinary or preference etc)

Ordinary

Number allotted

9,570

Nominal value of each share

1p

Amount (if any) paid or due on each
share (including any share premium)

£0.648

List the names and addresses of the allottees and the number of shares allotted to each overleaf

If the allotted shares are fully or partly paid up otherwise than in cash please state:

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Consideration for which
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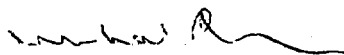
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Edinburgh



Shareholder details		Shares and share class allotted	
Name	Ms.Sara Jane Brown	Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address	11a Brook Street	Ordinary	4,250
	Whitley Bay		
	UK Postcode L N L E L 2 L 6 L 1 L A L F		
Name	Ms.Doreen Bryan	Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address	8 Keswick Drive	Ordinary	5,320
	North Shields		
	UK Postcode L N L E L 3 L 0 L 3 L E L W		
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address			
	UK Postcode L L L L L L L L		
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address			
	UK Postcode L L L L L L L L		
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address		TOTAL	9,570
	UK Postcode L L L L L L L L		

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Date 31st July 2003

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Please give the name, address, telephone number and, if available, a DX number and Exchange of the person Companies House should contact if there is any query.

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Return of Allotment of Shares

CHFP083

Company Number

2231246

Company name in full

The Sage Group plc

Shares allotted (including bonus shares):

Date or period during which
shares were allotted
(If shares were allotted on one date
enter that date in the "from" box.)

From

To

Day	Month	Year
28	07	2003

Day	Month	Year
1	1	11

Class of shares
(ordinary or preference etc)

Ordinary

Number allotted

50,000

Nominal value of each share

1p

Amount (if any) paid or due on each
share (including any share premium)

81.10p

List the names and addresses of the allottees and the number of shares allotted to each overleaf

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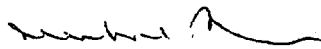


Shareholder details		Shares and share class allotted	
Name HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd Part.ID BH01 A/C 909780 Address Mariner House, Pepys Street London UK Postcode LE1C 3LN 4 LD LA		Class of shares allotted Ordinary	Number allotted 50000
Name Address UK Postcode L L L L L L L		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Name Address UK Postcode L L L L L L L		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Name Address UK Postcode L L L L L L L		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Name Address UK Postcode L L L L L L L		Class of shares allotted TOTAL	Number allotted 50000

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FILE NO. 82-34736
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Return of Allotment of Shares

CHFPO83

Company Number

2231246

Company name in full

The Sage Group plc

Shares allotted (including bonus shares):

Date or period during which
shares were allotted
(If shares were allotted on one date
enter that date in the "from" box.)

From

To

Day	Month	Year
06	08	21 01 03

Day	Month	Year
1	1	11

Class of shares
(ordinary or preference etc)

Number allotted

Nominal value of each share

Amount (if any) paid or due on each
share (including any share premium)

Ordinary	Ordinary	Ordinary
150000	50000	10000
1p	1p	1p
65.20p	81.10p	81.81p

List the names and addresses of the allottees and the number of shares allotted to each overleaf

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CHFPO83

Company Number

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The Sage Group plc

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From

To

Day	Month	Year
06	08	21 01 03

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1	1	11

Class of shares
(ordinary or preference etc)

Number allotted

Nominal value of each share

Amount (if any) paid or due on each
share (including any share premium)

Ordinary		
15,000		
1p		
136.00p		

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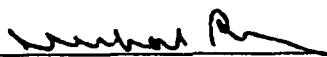
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Shareholder details	Shares and share class allotted	
Name HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd Part. ID BH01 a/c 909780	Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address Mariner House, Pepys Street	Ordinary	225,000
London		
UK Postcode E1C3LN4LDLA		
Name	Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address		
UK Postcode L L L L L L L		
Name	Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address		
UK Postcode L L L L L L L		
Name	Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address		
UK Postcode L L L L L L L		
Name	Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address	TOTAL	225,000
UK Postcode L L L L L L L		

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Date 7. August. 2003

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Return of Allotment of Shares

CHFP083

Company Number

2231246

Company name in full

The Sage Group plc

Shares allotted (including bonus shares):

Date or period during which
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(If shares were allotted on one date
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To

Day	Month	Year
28	08	2003

Day	Month	Year
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Class of shares
(ordinary or preference etc)

Ordinary

Number allotted

3731

Nominal value of each share

1p

Amount (if any) paid or due on each
share (including any share premium)

134.00p

List the names and addresses of the allottees and the number of shares allotted to each overleaf

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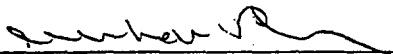
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Shareholder details		Shares and share class allotted	
Name Brewin Nominees Ltd a/c SHAREOPT part. ID 092		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address PO Box 1025, Commercial Union House		Ordinary	3731
39 Pilgrim Street, Newcastle upon Tyne			
UK Postcode LN LE L9 L9 L1 LS LX			
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address			
UK Postcode L L L L L L L			
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address			
UK Postcode L L L L L L L			
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address			
UK Postcode L L L L L L L			
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address		TOTAL	3731
UK Postcode L L L L L L L			

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Date 4/9/03.

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Return of Allotment of Shares

CHFPO83

Company Number

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Company name in full

The Sage Group plc

Shares allotted (including bonus shares):

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From

To

Day	Month	Year
25	09	2003

Day	Month	Year
1	1	11

Class of shares
(ordinary or preference etc)

Ordinary

Number allotted

150,000

Nominal value of each share

1p

Amount (if any) paid or due on each
share (including any share premium)

65.20p

List the names and addresses of the allottees and the number of shares allotted to each overleaf

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Shareholder details		Shares and share class allotted	
Name	HSBC GLOBAL CUSTODY NOMINEES UK LIMITED	Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address	MARINER HOUSE PEPYS STREET	Ordinary	150,000
	LONDON		
	UK Postcode L E L C L 3 L N L 4 L D L A		
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address			
	UK Postcode L L L L L L L		
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address			
	UK Postcode L L L L L L L		
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address			
	UK Postcode L L L L L L L		
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address		TOTAL	150,000
	UK Postcode L L L L L L L		

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[Signature]

Date

26.09.2003.

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Company Number

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Company name in full

The Sage Group plc

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From

To

Day	Month	Year
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Day	Month	Year
1	1	11

Class of shares
(ordinary or preference etc)

Number allotted

Nominal value of each share

Amount (if any) paid or due on each
share (including any share premium)

Ordinary		
3,670		
1p		
136.00p		

List the names and addresses of the allottees and the number of shares allotted to each overleaf

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Names and addresses of the allottees (List joint share allotments consecutively)

Shareholder details		Shares and share class allotted	
Name BREWIN NOMINEES LIMITED ID 092 / DESIG SHAREOPT		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address PO BOX 1025, COMMERCIAL UNION HOUSE,		Ordinary	3,670
39 PILGRIM STREET, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE			
UK Postcode L L L L L L L			
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address			
UK Postcode L L L L L L L			
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address			
UK Postcode L L L L L L L			
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address			
UK Postcode L L L L L L L			
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address			
UK Postcode L L L L L L L			
Name		Class of shares allotted	Number allotted
Address		TOTAL	3,670
UK Postcode L L L L L L L			

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Date 14.10.2003.

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UPDATE TO ANNEX C

	Date	Press Information Title
1.	08-08-2003	Sage offer for Softline; decision by Softline independent process committee
2.	08-18-2003	Disclosure of Interest
3.	08-22-2003	Section 198 Notification
4.	08-27-2003	Sage offer for Softline: purchase agreement signed
5.	09-02-2003	Disclosure of Interest
6.	09-08-2003	Disclosure of Interest in Shares
7.	09-22-2003	The Sage Group completes acquisition of US business management software vendor Timberline
8.	09-23-2003	Sage acquisition of South African software vendor Softline approved by Softline shareholders
9.	09-29-2003	Notification of preliminary results date and period-end trading update
10.	09-30-2003	Blocklisting Six Monthly Review
11.	10-20-2003	Year-end trading update
12.	10-21-2003	Holding in Company
13.	10-24-2003	Sage acquires Spanish accounting software vendor Grupo SP

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8 August 2003

Sage offer for Softline: decision by Softline independent process committee

Further to its offer announcement of 1 August 2003, The Sage Group plc ("Sage") announces that the independent process committee of Softline Limited ("Softline") has accepted the Sage offer and recommended that Softline shareholders seriously consider voting in favour of it.

The offer remains conditional upon finalising acquisition agreements, Softline shareholders' approval, and regulatory clearances.

Simultaneous with this announcement, Softline has issued an announcement outlining the details of the committee's decision. Further information on the progress of the offer will be announced as appropriate.

Enquiries:

The Sage Group plc 0191 255 3000	Financial Dynamics 020 7831 3113
Paul Walker, Chief Executive	Giles Sanderson
Paul Harrison, Finance Director	Harriet Keen
Phil Branston, Investor Relations	Caroline Ledosquet

Notes to editors:

The Sage Group plc is a leading international supplier of accounting and business management software solutions and related products and services for small to medium-sized enterprises. Formed in 1981, Sage was floated on the London Stock Exchange in 1989 and the Group now employs over 5,500 people worldwide.

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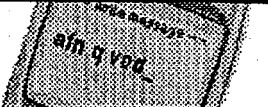
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Name	Symbol	Market	Type	ISIN
Sage Grp.	LSE:SGE	London Stock Exchange	Equity	GB0008021650

Change (p)	Change (%)	Cur	Mid	Offer	High	Low	Open	Volume
↓ 6.0	-3.6%	161.0	160.75	161.0	166.75	159.0	166.5	2,705,489

Sector	Turnover (m)	Profit (m)	EPS - Basic	PE ratio	Mkt
Software & Computer Services	551.731	129.154	6.99	23.033	20

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RNS Number: 78970

Sage Group PLC

18 August 2003

Sage Group plc ("the Company")

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

The Company received notification on 15 August 2003 that, following a transfer out of management of 4,034,800 shares on 14 August 2003, Legal & General Group Plc companies now have a beneficial interest in 37,068,899 Ordinary shares of 1p each in the Company, representing 2.9% of the total shares in issue.

The shares are registered as follows:

Registered Owner	No. of shares
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 914945	467,841
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 886603	2,194,500
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 775245	5,898,200
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 357206	26,564,532
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 866197	186,826
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 904332	106,900
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 916681	66,600
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 922437	5,400
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 754612	182,000
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 361602	16,500
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 360509	1,379,600
Total	37,068,899

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RNS Number:97920
 Sage Group PLC
 22 August 2003

The Sage Group plc ("the Company")

SECTION 198 NOTIFICATION

The Company received notification today that The Capital Group Companies, Inc. on behalf of its affiliates, including Capital Guardian Trust Company, Capital International S.A., Capital International, Inc., and Capital International Limited, have an interest in 38,405,255 Ordinary shares of 1p each of the Company.

This represents 3.00% of the issued share capital of the Company.

The holdings are registered in the following names :-

Capital Guardian Trust Company

Registered Holder	Number of Shares
Chase Nominees Limited	425,000
Nortrust Nominees	302,000
Total	727,000

Capital International Limited

Registered Holder	Number of Shares
State Street Nominees Limited	251,800
Bank of New York Nominees	12,069,800
Nortrust Nominees Limited	2,048,600
Chase Nominees Limited	4,114,860
Midland Bank plc	245,600
Bankers Trust	4,253,300
Barclays Bank	154,400
Citibank London	97,400
Morgan Guaranty	594,200
Nortrust Nominees Limited	4,359,400
State Street Bank & Trust Co.	352,500
Deutsche Bank AG	2,216,500
HSBC Bank plc	1,831,200
Mellon Bank N.A.	435,400
Northern Trust South Africa	285,200
KAS UK	39,200
Mellon Nominees (UK) Limited	110,600
Bank One London	208,200
Total	33,668,160

Capital International S.A

Registered Holder	Number of Shares
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Chase Nominees Limited	774,800
Royal Bank of Scotland	89,800
Midland Bank plc	10,900
State Street Bank & Trust Co	48,500
Lloyds Bank	38,500
Total	962,500

Capital International, Inc.

Registered Holder	Number of Shares
State Street Nominees Limited	279,980
Bank of New York Nominees	281,000
Chase Nominees Limited	2,081,115
Nortrust Nominees	138,100
State Street Bank & Trust Co	27,800
Citibank NA Toronto	207,000
HSBC Bank plc	32,600
Total	3,047,595

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Name	Symbol	Market	Type	ISIN
Sage Grp.	LSE:SGE	London Stock Exchange	Equity	GB0008021650

Sector	Turnover (m)	Profit (m)	EPS - Basic	PE ratio	Mkt
Software & Computer Services	551.731	129.154	6.99	22.854	20

Type	Size	Price	Date	Time	Unit
AT	1,560	<u>161.0</u>	26/9/03	11:41	GBX

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27 August 2003

Sage offer for Softline: purchase agreement signed

Further to its offer announcement of 1 August 2003, The Sage Group plc ("Sage") announces that it has entered into an agreement with Softline Limited ("Softline") to acquire its business and assets, for an equity value of £66.0m (enterprise value £54.9m).

The acquisition is now conditional upon approval by Softline shareholders at a meeting on 23 September 2003. It is also conditional upon regulatory clearances.

Simultaneous with this announcement, Softline has issued an announcement outlining details of the terms of the agreement. Further information on the progress of the offer will be announced as appropriate.

Financial information calculated on the basis of £1 = ZAR 11.9

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RNS Number:2712P
 Sage Group PLC
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Sage Group plc ("the Company")

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

The Company received notification on 1 September 2003 that, following a purchase in the market of 250,000 shares on 29 August 2003, Legal & General Group Plc companies now have a beneficial interest in 38,376,248 Ordinary shares of 1p each in the Company, representing 3.00% of the total shares in issue.

The shares are registered as follows:
 Registered Owner

	No. of shares
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 914945	467,841
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 886603	2,194,500
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 775245	5,898,200
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 357206	27,831,481
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 866197	186,826
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 904332	106,900
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 916681	66,600
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 922437	5,400
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 754612	182,000
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 361602	16,500
HSBC Global Custody Nominee (UK) Ltd A/c 360509	1,420,000
Total	38,376,248

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RNS Number:5190P
 Sage Group PLC
 08 September 2003

The Sage Group plc (the "Company")

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST IN SHARES

The Company received notification on 5 September 2003 that Deutsche Bank AG and its subsidiary companies have a notifiable interest in 150,756,476 Ordinary shares of 1p each in the Company, representing 11.78% of the total shares in issue.

Held as Principal	No. of Sha
Deutsche Bank AG London	3,750,389
 Held in Customer Portfolios	
Morgan Nominees	63,190,906
Morgan Nominees CHY	248,796
Morgan Nominees CSL	292,813
Morgan Nominees DGR	507,693
Morgan Nominees ENF	317,743
Morgan Nominees MER	278,669
Morgan Nominees SL	649,064
Bank of New York Nominees	6,091,726
Bank of New York Nominees VC	61,488
BT Globenet Nominees Ltd	346,185
Channel Nominees	68,449
Chase Nominees	30,010,554
Clydesdale Bank Custodian Nominees	1,031,641
Deutsche Asset Management GmbH	448,624
Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas	117,825
Deutsche Bank International Limited	1,101,973
Deutsche Bank Japan Ltd	215,750
Deutsche Securities Ltd Tokyo	26,200
Deutsche Vermögensbildungsgesellschaft	60,000
DWS (Austria) Investmentgesellschaft	11,351
Gestion Privee Worms	135,000
HSBC Global Custody Nominees	3,167,416
Lloyds Bank Nominees	12,616
Lothian Regional Council	1,936,260
Master Trust Bank of Japan	1,880
National Provincial	5,070
Nortrust Nominees Ltd	13,626,113
State Street Nominees	22,602,096
Tokyo Trust	139,240
Vidacos Nominees	302,946
	150,756,47

Note: The shares comprised under this notification may, from time to time, be the subject of a stock lending agreement resulting in a change of registration but not in DBAG's interest in the shares.

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Software & Computer Services	551.731	129.154	6.99	23.212	20



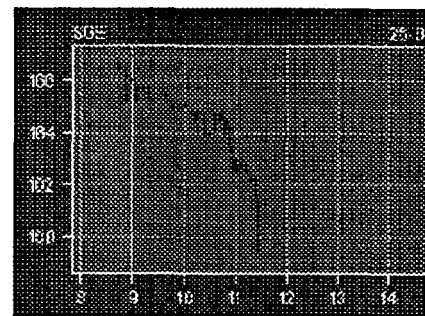
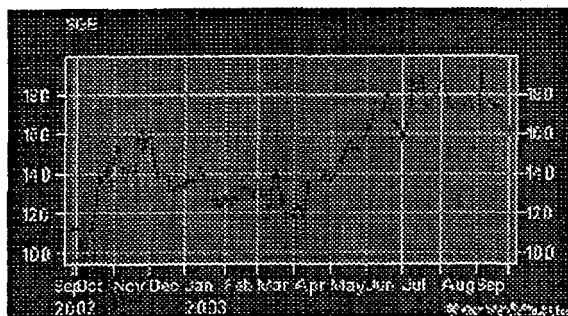
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22 September 2003

The Sage Group completes acquisition of US business management software vendor Timberline

Further to its announcement of 17 July 2003, The Sage Group plc announces that it has completed its acquisition of Timberline Software Corporation ("Timberline"), based in Oregon, US.

The acquisition was approved at a Timberline shareholder meeting on Friday, 19 September. All regulatory clearances have been received.

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Sage Grp.	LSE:SGE	London Stock Exchange	Equity	GB0008021650

Change (p)	Change (%)	Co	Bid	Offer	High	Low	Open	Volume
↓ 6.0	3.6%	161.0	160.25	161.0	166.75	161.0	166.5	1 848 622

Sector	Turnover (m)	Profit (m)	EPS - Basic	PE ratio	Mkt
Software & Computer Services	551.731	129.154	6.99	23.212	20

Type	Size	Price	Date	Ex-time	Units
AT	42,155	161.0	26/9/03	11.24	GBX

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23 September 2003

Sage acquisition of South African software vendor Softline approved by Softline shareholders

Further to its announcement of 1 August 2003, The Sage Group plc ("Sage") announces that its agreement to acquire Softline Limited ("Softline") has received Softline shareholders' approval.

The acquisition agreement was approved at a meeting of Softline shareholders on 23 September. The acquisition is expected to complete in mid-October 2003, following receipt of final regulatory clearances.

The transaction has an equity value of £66.0m (enterprise value of £54.9m). Softline is a leading provider of business management software in South Africa and Australia. The proposed acquisition of the Softline business is consistent with the Sage strategy of expanding geographically into attractive markets.

Paul Walker, Sage Chief Executive, commented: "The acquisition of Softline extends our geographical presence to the attractive South African and Australian markets in which Softline is well established. It provides us with leading product brands in accounting, payroll and taxation software for small-to-medium-sized enterprises, together with a sizeable customer and reseller base."

Simultaneous with this announcement, Softline has issued an announcement providing details of shareholders' vote of approval.

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The Sage Group plc

Notification of preliminary results date and period-end trading update

The Sage Group plc ('Sage') will be announcing its preliminary results for the twelve months to 30 September 2003 on Tuesday 2 December 2003.

Sage will announce a period-end trading update for the year to 30 September 2003 on Monday 20 October 2003.

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BLOCKLISTING SIX MONTHLY REVIEW

1. NAME OF COMPANY: The Sage Group Plc
2. NAME OF SCHEME: The Sage Group (No. 2) Executive Share Option Scheme
3. PERIOD OF RETURN: FROM: 26th March 2003 TO: 25th September 2003
4. NUMBER AND CLASS OF SHARES(S)
(AMOUNT OF STOCK/DEBT SECURITY)
NOT ISSUED UNDER SCHEME
AT END OF THE LAST PERIOD: 5,110,779 Ordinary shares of 1p each at 26th March 2003
5. NUMBER OF SHARES ISSUED/ALLOTTED
UNDER SCHEME DURING PERIOD: 3,157,130
6. BALANCE UNDER SCHEME NOT YET ISSUED/ALLOTTED
AT END OF PERIOD: 1,953,649 Ordinary shares of 1p each at 25th September 2003
7. NUMBER AND CLASS OF SHARE(S)
(AMOUNT OF STOCK/DEBT SECURITIES)
ORIGINALLY LISTED AND THE DATE OF
ADMISSION: 900,000 Ord Shares of 1p each - 23.2.2003,
5,000,000 Ord Shares of 1p each - 12.12.2000 &
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1. NAME OF COMPANY: The Sage Group Plc
2. NAME OF SCHEME: The Sage Group 1999 Executive Share Option Scheme
3. PERIOD OF RETURN: FROM: 26th March 2003 TO: 25th September 2003
4. NUMBER AND CLASS OF SHARES(S)
(AMOUNT OF STOCK/DEBT SECURITY)
NOT ISSUED UNDER SCHEME
AT END OF THE LAST PERIOD: 1,000,000 Ordinary shares of 1p each at 25th
March 2003
5. NUMBER OF SHARES ISSUED/ALLOTTED
UNDER SCHEME DURING PERIOD: 3,731
6. BALANCE UNDER SCHEME NOT YET ISSUED/ALLOTTED
AT END OF PERIOD: 996,269 Ordinary shares of 1p each at 25th
September 2003
7. NUMBER AND CLASS OF SHARE(S)
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ADMISSION: 1,000,000 Ord Shares of 1p each - 17.1.2003

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1. NAME OF COMPANY: The Sage Group Plc

FILE NO. 82-34736

2. NAME OF SCHEME: Best Programs Inc. 1992 Stock Option Plan & Best Software Inc. 1997 Stock Incentive Plan
3. PERIOD OF RETURN: FROM: 26th March 2003 TO: 25th September 2003
4. NUMBER AND CLASS OF SHARES(S)
(AMOUNT OF STOCK/DEBT SECURITY)
NOT ISSUED UNDER SCHEME
AT END OF THE LAST PERIOD: 987,380 Ordinary shares of 1p each at 25th March 2003
5. NUMBER OF SHARES ISSUED/ALLOTTED
UNDER SCHEME DURING PERIOD: 0
6. BALANCE UNDER SCHEME NOT YET ISSUED/ALLOTTED
AT END OF PERIOD: 987,380 Ordinary shares of 1p each at 25th September 2003
7. NUMBER AND CLASS OF SHARE(S)
(AMOUNT OF STOCK/DEBT SECURITIES)
ORIGINALLY LISTED AND THE DATE OF
ADMISSION: 1,000,000 Ord Shares of 1p each - 12.12.2000

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2. NAME OF SCHEME: The State of the Art Stock Option Plan
3. PERIOD OF RETURN: FROM: 26th March 2003 TO: 25th September 2003
4. NUMBER AND CLASS OF SHARES(S)
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NOT ISSUED UNDER SCHEME
AT END OF THE LAST PERIOD: 515,472 Ordinary shares of 1p each at 25th March 2003

5. NUMBER OF SHARES ISSUED/ALLOTTED
UNDER SCHEME DURING PERIOD: 10,220
6. BALANCE UNDER SCHEME NOT YET ISSUED/ALLOTTED
AT END OF PERIOD: 505,252 Ordinary shares of 1p each at 25th
September 2003
7. NUMBER AND CLASS OF SHARE(S)
(AMOUNT OF STOCK/DEBT SECURITIES)
ORIGINALLY LISTED AND THE DATE OF
ADMISSION: 100,000 Ord Shares of 1p each - 23.02.2000,
500,000 Ord Shares of 1p each - 12.4.2000 &
500,000 Ord Shares of 1p each - 17.01.2003

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2. NAME OF SCHEME: The Sage Group Savings Related Share Option Scheme
3. PERIOD OF RETURN: FROM: 26th March 2003 TO: 25th September 2003
4. NUMBER AND CLASS OF SHARES(S)
(AMOUNT OF STOCK/DEBT SECURITY)
NOT ISSUED UNDER SCHEME
AT END OF THE LAST PERIOD: 4,556,802 Ordinary shares of 1p each at 25th
March 2003
5. NUMBER OF SHARES ISSUED/ALLOTTED
UNDER SCHEME DURING PERIOD: 38,500
6. BALANCE UNDER SCHEME NOT YET ISSUED/ALLOTTED
AT END OF PERIOD: 4,518,302 Ordinary shares of 1p each
7. NUMBER AND CLASS OF SHARE(S)
(AMOUNT OF STOCK/DEBT SECURITIES)
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ADMISSION: 1,000,000 Ord Shares of 1p each - 23.2.2000 &
6,000,000 Ord Shares of 1p each - 17.1.2003

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1. NAME OF COMPANY: The Sage Group Plc
2. NAME OF SCHEME: The Sage Group Savings Related Share Option Scheme
(Ireland)
3. PERIOD OF RETURN: FROM: 26th March 2003 TO: 25th March 2003
4. NUMBER AND CLASS OF SHARES(S)
(AMOUNT OF STOCK/DEBT SECURITY)
NOT ISSUED UNDER SCHEME
AT END OF THE LAST PERIOD: 200,000 Ordinary shares of 1p each at 25th
March 2003
5. NUMBER OF SHARES ISSUED/ALLOTTED
UNDER SCHEME DURING PERIOD: 0
6. BALANCE UNDER SCHEME NOT YET ISSUED/ALLOTTED
AT END OF PERIOD: 200,000 Ordinary shares of 1p each at 25th
September 2003
7. NUMBER AND CLASS OF SHARE(S)
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ADMISSION: 200,000 Ord Shares of 1p each - 17.1.2003

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NOT ISSUED UNDER SCHEME
AT END OF THE LAST PERIOD: 100,000 Ordinary shares of 1p each at 25th
March 2003
5. NUMBER OF SHARES ISSUED/ALLOTTED
UNDER SCHEME DURING PERIOD: 0
6. BALANCE UNDER SCHEME NOT YET ISSUED/ALLOTTED
AT END OF PERIOD: 100,000 Ordinary shares of 1p each at 25th
September 2003
7. NUMBER AND CLASS OF SHARE(S)
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4. NUMBER AND CLASS OF SHARES(S)
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NOT ISSUED UNDER SCHEME
AT END OF THE LAST PERIOD: 375,572 Ordinary shares of 1p each at 25th March 2003
5. NUMBER OF SHARES ISSUED/ALLOTTED
UNDER SCHEME DURING PERIOD: 0
6. BALANCE UNDER SCHEME NOT YET ISSUED/ALLOTTED
AT END OF PERIOD: 375,572 Ordinary shares of 1p each at 25th September 2003
7. NUMBER AND CLASS OF SHARE(S)
(AMOUNT OF STOCK/DEBT SECURITIES)
ORIGINALLY LISTED AND THE DATE OF
ADMISSION: 400,000 Ord Shares of 1p each - 17.1.2003

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The Sage Group plc

Year-end trading update

Results (unaudited) for the year ended 30 September 2003 in line with expectations

Today, The Sage Group plc ('Sage') is providing an update on its trading performance for the year ended 30 September 2003.

Both pre-tax profit and revenue for the period were in line with market expectations.

Group profit before tax was approximately £151m, showing growth of 12% on the prior year. Profit before tax includes a charge of £2.0m for the loss on disposal of a non-core human resources division (on 5 May 2003). It also includes £0.4m of operating profit contributed by Timberline, acquired on 23 September 2003.

Group revenues were approximately £560m, with revenue growth of 4%* on the prior year.

UK

Revenue growth of 3% to approximately £161m was generated from the continued growth of the entry-level business.

The operating margin was increased to approximately 40% (2002: 37%), reflecting a focus on installed base activities and also the benefit of a re-organisation of the mid-market division during the prior year.

UK operating profit grew 12% to approximately £65m.

Mainland Europe

In market conditions which remained challenging, revenue growth of 4%* to approximately £135m was attributable to acquisitions.

Acquired businesses contributed low initial margins and therefore overall margins fell to approximately 22% (2002: 24%).

Operating profit in Mainland Europe fell 5%* to approximately £30m.

US

Overall revenues grew by 4%* to approximately £264m. A significant factor in

this growth was the performance of the CRM business, where revenues grew 13%*. The US accounting businesses grew revenues 2%* compared to the prior year.

With a continued focus on installed base activity and improving margins in the CRM business, overall US operating margins grew to approximately 23% (2002: 21%).

Overall US operating profits grew 17%* to approximately £61m.

*Comparisons are at constant exchange rates based on the average for the year ended 30 September 2003

A conference call for analysts is being held today to discuss this announcement. No further new material information will be discussed during the call. Full details on the Group's financial performance for the year will be given in Sage's preliminary results announcement on 2 December 2003.

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The Sage Group plc ("the Company")

HOLDING IN COMPANY

The Company received notification today from Graham Wylie that, following a disposal of 65,150,000 Ordinary shares of 1p each in the Company on 21 October 2003, he no longer has a notifiable interest in the Company under the Companies Act.

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24 October 2003

Sage acquires Spanish accounting software vendor Grupo SP

The Sage Group plc ('Sage') announces that it has acquired Grupo SP, S.A.* ('SP'), a leading provider of entry-level accounting software in Spain, for an enterprise value of £49.1m, to be paid in cash. SP had net cash of £6.6m upon acquisition, giving an equity value of £55.7m for the transaction.

SP's revenue for the year ended 31 December 2002 was £22.8m, with an operating profit of £4.4m.

SP brings over 200,000 customers into the Sage customer base, establishing a leading position for Sage in a market featuring one of the largest populations of small businesses in Europe.

Paul Walker, Sage Chief Executive, commented: 'The acquisition extends our geographical presence to the strategically important Spanish market in which SP is well established. Its leading product brands and sizeable customer base provide a sound platform from which we can develop our presence in Spain. The acquisition is a significant step forward in our strategy of expanding into attractive new markets where Sage's business model and expertise can add value.'

*This transaction excludes the small South American operations of Grupo SP; the operational results and balance sheet items of which are hence excluded from this announcement.

All financial information calculated on the basis of £1 = Euro 1.435

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The Sage Group plc is a leading international supplier of accounting and business management software solutions and related products and services for small to medium-sized enterprises. Formed in 1981, Sage was floated on the London Stock Exchange in 1989 and the Group now employs over 5,500 people worldwide.

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